

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, the first paragraph was amended as follows:

In the ~~followings~~ following, an embodiment of the invention will be described in detail by referring to the drawings.

Page 11, the second full paragraph was amended as follows:

Grinding may be performed at any time before/after carbonization and calcination, or during the process of programming the temperature before graphitization. In these cases, a heat treatment for graphitization is conducted at last in a powder state. However, in order to obtain graphite powder with high bulk density and breaking strength, it is preferable to conduct the heat treatment after molding the starting material and then ~~grinds~~ grind and ~~classifies~~ classify the obtained graphitizing molded body.

Page 11, the third full paragraph, continuing to page 12, was amended as follows:

For example, when fabricating a graphitized molded body, ~~cokes~~ coke which is used as ~~to be~~ a filler and binder pitch ~~to be~~ used as a molding agent or a sintering agent are mixed and molded. Then, a calcinating process of applying the heat treatment at 1000°C or below, and a pitch impregnation process of impregnating the binder pitch which is fused in the calcined body are repeated a several times. Then, the heat treatment is conducted at a high temperature. The impregnated binder pitch is carbonized and graphitized through the above-mentioned heat treatment process. In this case, the filler (cokes) and the binder pitch are used as the starting material so that it is graphitized as the polycrystal, and sulfur and nitrogen ~~containing~~ contained in the starting material generates as a gas during the heat treatment, thereby, forming micro vacancies on the way through. Because of the vacancies, the occlusion/release of lithium is readily performed and the process efficiency is improved industrially. Also, a filler having ~~moldibility~~ a moldability or sintering characteristic by itself may be used as the base material for the molded body. In this case, it is unnecessary to use binder pitch.